

science to make also the  
jack asses of the people of Ca-  
lifornia speak once more sensibly

The news of giving away the  
famous Yosemite Valley has  
undoubtedly reached you - What  
next?

We have now rain and nothing  
but rain, over 30 inches have  
fallen already. Seemingly  
a promising season, though  
dreadfully hard to endure  
Keeping in the house makes  
me sick and melancholy.

I hope to hear soon  
from you

Yours  
most sincerely  
Henry D. Bolander.

P.S. Could you tell me how I  
could obtain some seed of the  
plant from which the Persian  
Insect powder is obtained?

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Prof. Dr. A. Gray Cambridge

My dear Sir,

Your favor of  
Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> should have been answered  
some time ago; the delay is owing  
to the presence of our friend Dr.  
Parry. I was most happy to make  
his personal acquaintance. He  
left for the East last Saturday.  
I am daily looking for the news  
issue of your newly described plants  
I have made such arrangements  
that I may hereafter furnish more  
bulbs and seeds to parties. The boxes  
sent some time ago may be in your  
hands by this time. *Tremontia*  
has come up already from seeds  
of the same lot sent to you.

That shrub differs considerably  
in appearance. Near Clear Lake it  
had small insignificant leaves  
and was of a barren look. How  
different in the Sierras at about  
4000 alt. where it occurs very abund-  
antly. There the leaves are large, peltate,  
dense and the whole shrub covered  
with its large yellow flowers.  
If it should grow in a similar  
manner in Europe, it will become  
an object much sought for.

I hope to bring into market also  
another Whitneyi next year.

I am fully of your opinion  
in regard to Mr. Thompson's  
money. When delivered it is time  
enough.

By my arrangements I will also  
be able to furnish the seeds of  
*Adenostyles* = *Coccolis* next fall.

Well, was I aware of the

*Sanguisorba* collected at Men-  
dozino; it occurs however only  
sparingly, yet apparently indigenous.

Prof. Whitney is at Sacramen-  
to. The poor Professor has also  
his share of troubles. You may  
imagine of what sort they are  
when he is asked by the committee  
to explain of what practical  
use maps are. Is it not enough  
to sink a man or make him shudder  
in all his limbs! Poor man!  
The patience with which he bears  
for science's sake such talk, seems  
to me almost more praiseworthy  
than that what he accomplishes.

In a few days all will be  
decided: continued or not con-  
tinued. I'd had the power of  
making William's jacknaps speak  
sensibly, why should he not have  
mercy upon the Professor and